

THE GET HIGH AND PAROLE PROGRAM

Here is the real deal, people who are convicted of a crime have now found out that when you get to Jackson quarantine, (also known as the Charles Egeler Reception and Guidance Center), to just play "CRAZY" or play what prisoners call the "Mental Health Game" and two things will happen; (1) you will get placed in a group program called (RTP) Residential Treatment Program; and (2) you'll leave quarantine a lot quicker (a place prisoners do not want to be). Prisoners have also learned that if successful at this RTP Mental Health Game, they have a good chance of getting a D-42 or D-47 from the parole board (these are potential paroles).

Unfortunately, prisoners seem to only look at what they believe are the pros of this game and never consider the cons. For example, taking other people's medications or medication you do not need can cause great harm to self. Next, buying medication from another person, who actually needs the medication, may be causing great harm to that person. More importantly, prisoners are not considering the long term effects of such behavior. For example, if you are an addict, you may literally be keeping yourself in active addiction. They do not think about this.

But what is the greater problem, I wonder? Prisoners abusing medications; prisoners getting high off of mental health medications, the games prisoners are playing for the purposes of parole, the money its costing tax payers, or jobs created for this game. I want to say cost because Psychotropic Medications, alone, cost a fortune. Not to mention the cost incurred to pay professional people to maintain this game, afterall, the professional people's paychecks may be of greater importance to them than the games the prisoners are playing.

However, maybe the Michigan Department of Corrections (MDOC) and the tax payers don't care about cost, afterall, Corrections cost the State of Michigan \$2 Billion per year. Its a cost center that's costing tax payers mightily (largely by burdening the poor), yet tax payers do not have a problem with that. Hell there even paying \$246,000.00 to keep me for over six years and I am a non-violent, low assault risk prisoner in here doing absolutely nothing. But its those Mental Health Game Players, both prisoners and staff, whom we should be applauding, they are soaking up way more money than the \$246,000.00 the state is generously wasting on me. You Go Boys and Girls!

Thank you for your time and consideration. I will be immensely grateful for your timely response and cooperation given this curiosity implication.